MARKED-UP VERSION OF THE AMENDED CLAIMS:

- 5. (amended) A rewind arm assembly in accordance with [claim 3 or 4] claim

 4, wherein each bearing assembly has a maximum circumferential dimension less than the diameter of a relevant core, the stepped part being formed on the part of the housing embracing at least the bearing assembly for the lesser dimension shaft, the stepped part comprising a planar face of the housing extending parallel to the core axis and tangential to the point of contact between the contact roller and core.
- 6. (amended) A rewind arm assembly in accordance with [any preceding] claim 1, wherein the one side of the top housing of the rewind arm is coextensive with the side of the arm and includes a core shaft and support bearings adapted to a first size of core internal diameter and the other side of the housing has the core shaft and support bearings adapted to a second size of core internal diameter, the core shafts being connected through a central pulley located within the housing and coupled through a drive belt with a motor housed in the base of the arm for the purpose of rotating the core shafts.

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- 8. (amended) A rewind arm assembly in accordance with [claim 3, 4 or 5 as further limited by claim 6 or 7] claim 6, wherein the stepped part extends across the zone of the pulley.
- 9. (amended) A slitter rewinder machine wherein a wide film is slit into lesser widths and wound onto cores for further use, said machine incorporating at least two rewind arms, in accordance with [any preceding] claim 1, for holding a winding core.

<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 1 - 10 are in the case. Claims 5, 6, 8 and 9 are being amended.

The present preliminary amendment is submitted in order to obviate ambiguities in the claims and to eliminate multiple dependencies between claims. Should be there any multiple dependent claims remaining, such remaining multiple dependent claims are to be deemed as treated as canceled by the applicant.

Entry of the above recited corrections prior to calculation of the fee is respectfully requested.

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